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This application contains sequence disclosures that are encompassed by the definitions for nucleotide and/or amino acid sequences set forth in 37 CFR 1.821(a)(1) and (a)(2). Applicant must comply with the requirements of the sequence rules (37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825) before the application can be examined under 35 U.S.C. §§ 131 and 132.

A computer readable form (CRF) of the sequence listing was submitted. However, the CRF could not be processed by the Scientific and Technical Information Center (STIC) for the reason(s) set forth on the attached CRF Diskette Problem Report.

Applicant is given ONE MONTH, or THIRTY DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this letter within which to comply with the sequence rules, 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825. Failure to comply with these requirements will result in ABANDONMENT of the application under 37 CFR 1.821(g). Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no case may an applicant extend the period for reply beyond the SIX MONTH statutory period. Direct the reply to the undersigned. Applicant is requested to return a copy of the attached CRF Diskette Problem Report with the reply.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Examiner Ron Schwadron, Ph.D., Art Unit 1644, whose telephone number is (703) 308-4680. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Technology Center receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

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#### Raw Sequence Listing Error Summary

ERROR DETECTED	SUGGESTED CORRECTION SERIAL NUMBER: 9935040 :
ATTN: NEW RULES CASE	S: PLEASE DISREGARD ENGLISH "ALPHA" HEADERS, WHICH WERE INSERTED BY P1
Wrapped Nucleics Wrapped Aminos	The number/text at the end of each line "wrapped" down to the next line. This may occur if your file was retrieved in a word processor after creating it. Please adjust your right margin to .3; this will prevent "wrapping."
2Invalid Line Length	The rules require that a line not exceed 72 characters in length. This includes white spaces.
3Misaligned Amino Numbering	The numbering under each 5th amino acid is misaligned. Do not use tab codes between numbers; use space characters, instead.
4Non-ASCII	The submitted file was not saved in ASCII(DOS) text, as required by the Sequence Rules. Please ensure your subsequent submission is saved in ASCII text.
5Variable Length.	Sequence(s) contain n's or Xaa's representing more than one residue. Per Sequence Rules, each n or Xaa can only represent a single residue. Please present the maximum number of each residue having variable length and indicate in the <220> <223> section that some may be missing.
6Patentin 2.0 "bug"	A "bug" in Patentin version 2.0 has caused the <220>-<223> section to be missing from amino acid sequences(s) Normally, Patentin would automatically generate this section from the previously coded nucleic acid sequence. Please manually copy the relevant <220>-<223> section to the subsequent amino acid sequence. This applies to the mandatory <220>-<223> sections for Artificial or Unknown sequences.
7Skipped Sequences (OLD RULES)	Sequence(s) missing. If intentional, please insert the following lines for each skipped sequence (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:X: (insert SEQ ID NO where "X" is shown) (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS: (Do not insert any subheadings under this heading) (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION:SEQ ID NO:X: (insert SEQ ID NO where "X" is shown) This sequence is intentionally skipped
	Please also adjust the "(ii) NUMBER OF SEQUENCES:" response to Include the skipped sequences.
8Skipped Sequences (NEW RULES)	Sequence(s) missing. If Intentional, please insert the following lines for each skipped sequen <210> sequence id number <400> sequence id number 000
Use of n's or Xaa's (NEW RULES)	Use of n's and/or Xaa's have been detected in the Sequence Listing.  Per 1.823 of Sequence Rules, use of <220>-<223> is MANDATORY if n's or Xaa's are present.  In <220> to <223> section, please explain location of n or Xaa, and which residue n or Xaa represents
0Invalid <213> Response	Per 1.823 of Sequence Rules, the only valid <213> responses are: Unknown, Artificial Sequence, or scientific name (Genus/species). <220>-<223> section is required when <213> response is Unknown is Artificial Sequence
IUsc of <220>	Sequence(s) missing the <220> "Feature" and associated numeric identifiers and responses. Use of <220> to <223> is MANDATORY if <213> "Organism" response is "Artificial Sequence" or "Unknown." Please explain source of genetic material in <220> to <223> section.  (See "Federal Register," 06/01/1998, Vol. 63, No. 104, pp. 29631-32) (See. 1.823 of Sequence Rules
Patentin 2.0	Please do not use "Copy to Disk" function of Patentln version 2.0. This causes a corrupted file, resulting in missing mandatory numeric identifiers and responses (as indicated on raw sequence listing). Instead, please use "File Manager" or any other manual means to copy file to floppy disk.
3Misuse of n	in can only be used to represent a single nucleotide in a nucleic acid sequence. N is not used to represe any value not specifically a nucleotide.
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              Brian D. Livingston
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              Ralph T. Kubo
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              Howard M. Grey
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              Robert Chesnut
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RAW SEQUENCE LISTING

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#### VERIFICATION SUMMARY

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The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.821 - 1.825 for the following reason(s):

	1.	This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to these regulations, published at 1114 OG 29, May 15, 1990 and at 55 FR 18230, May 1, 1990.
	2.	This application does not contain, as a separate part of the disclosure on paper copy, a "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(c).
	3.	A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).
X	4.	A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has been submitted. However, the content of the computer readable form does not comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.822 and/or 1.823, as indicated on the attached copy of the marked -up "Raw Sequence Listing."
	5.	The computer readable form that has been filed with this application has been found to be damaged and/or unreadable as indicated on the attached CRF Diskette Problem Report. A Substitute computer readable form must be submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.825(d).
	6.	The paper copy of the "Sequence Listing" is not the same as the computer readable from of the "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).
	7.	Other:
Αp	pli	cant Must Provide:
X	Ar	n initial or substitute computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing".
Ŋ	Ar in	n <u>initial</u> or substitute paper copy of the "Sequence Listing", as well as an amendment directing its entry to the specification.
Ø	ap	statement that the content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same and, where oplicable, include no new matter, as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e) or 1.821(f) or 1.821(g) or 325(b) or 1.825(d).
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